

OSI Data Link Layer



Network Fundamentals – Chapter 7

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Objectives

- Explain the role of Data Link layer protocols in data transmission.
- Describe how the Data Link layer prepares data for transmission on network media.
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- Identify several common logical network topologies and describe how the logical topology determines the media access control method for that network.
- Explain the purpose of encapsulating packets into frames to facilitate media access.
- Describe the Layer 2 frame structure and identify generic fields.
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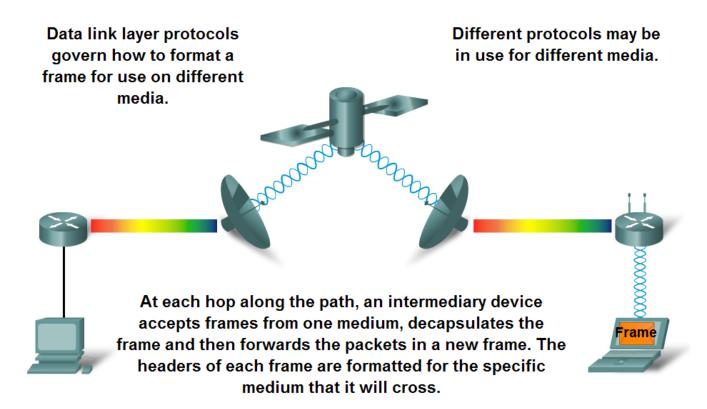
 Describe the service the Data Link Layer provides as it prepares communication for transmission on specific media

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The Data Link layer prepares network data for the physical network.

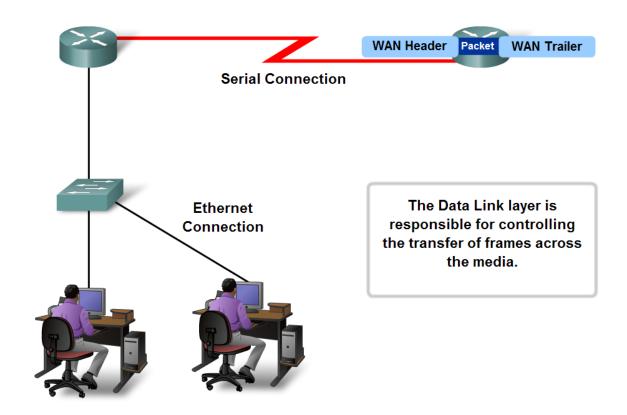
 Describe why Data Link layer protocols are required to control media access

The Data Link Layer



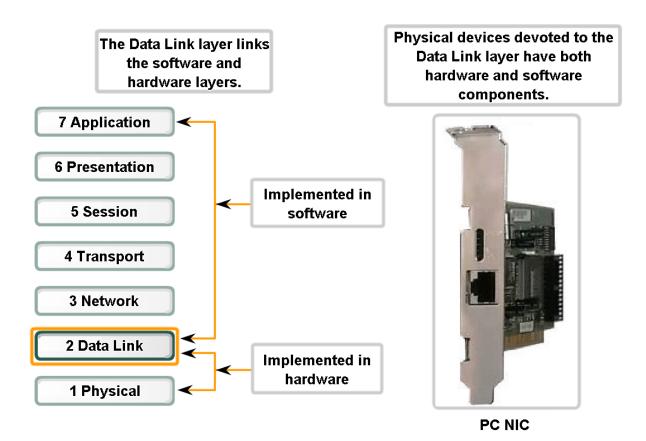
 Describe the role of framing in preparing a packet for transmission on a given media

Transfer of Frames



 Describe the role the Data Link layer plays in linking the software and hardware layers

Connecting Upper Layer Services to the Media



 Identify several sources for the protocols and standards used by the Data Link layer

Standards for the Data Link Layer

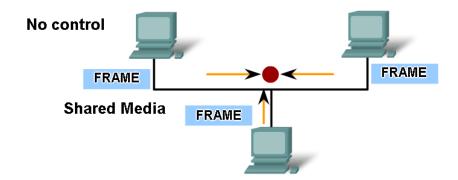
ISO:	HDLC (High Level Data Link Control)
IEEE:	802.2 (LLC), 802.3 (Ethernet) 802.5 (Token Ring) 802.11(Wireless LAN)
ITU:	Q.922 (Frame Relay Standard) Q.921 (ISDN Data Link Standard) HDLC (High Level Data Link Control)
ANSI:	3T9.5 ADCCP (Advanced Data Communications Control Protocol)

Explain the necessity for controlling access to the media

Media Access Control Methods

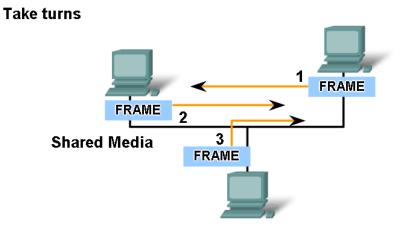
No control at all would result in many collisions.

Collisions cause corrupted frames that must be resent.

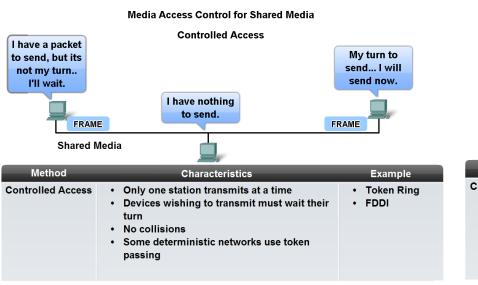


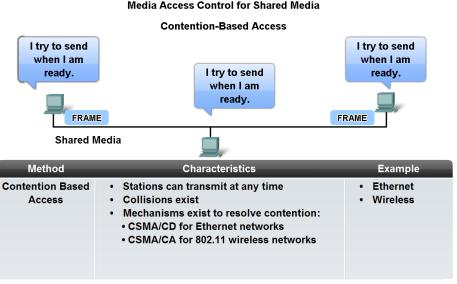
Methods that enforce a high degree of control prevent collisions, but the process has high overhead.

Methods that enforce a low degree of control have low overhead, but there are more frequent collisions.



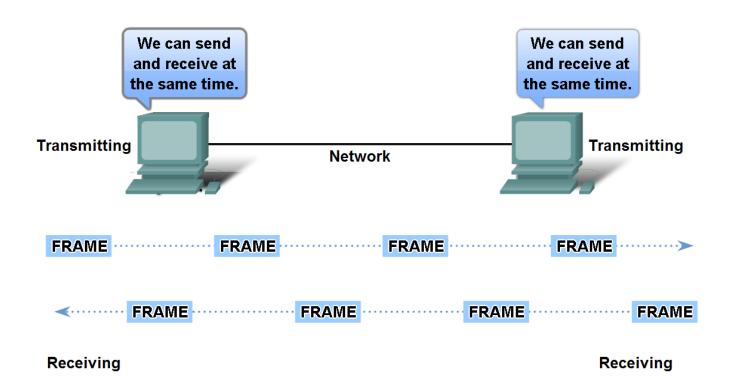
 Identify two media access control methods for shared media and the basic characteristics of each



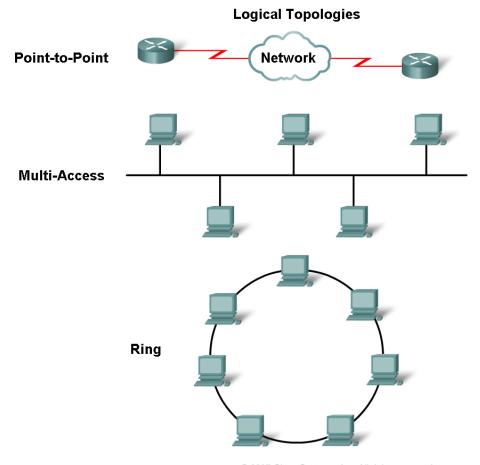


 Define Full Duplex and Half Duplex as it relates to Media Access Control for non-shared media

Media Access Control for Non-shared media

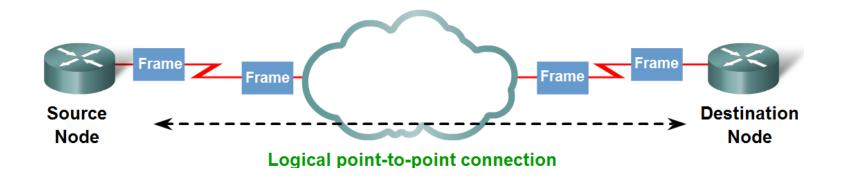


 Describe the purpose of a logical topology and identify several common logical topologies



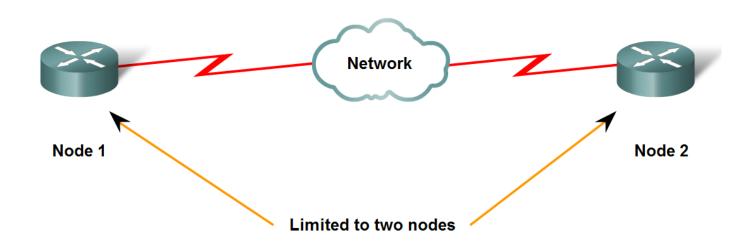
Contrast logical and physical topologies

Logical Point-to-Point Topology



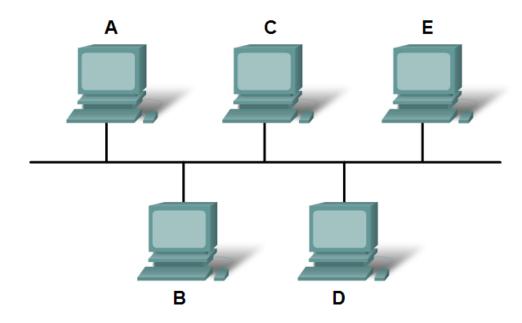
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Point-to-Point Topology

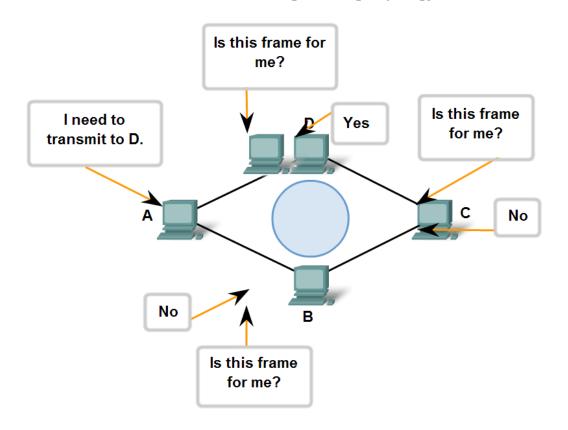


 Identify the characteristics of multi-access topology and describe the implications for media access when using this topology

Logical Multi-Access Topology



 Identify the characteristics of ring topology and describe the implications for media access when using this topology



 Describe the purpose of encapsulating packets into frames to facilitate the entry and exit of data on media

Data Link Layer Protocols - The Frame

In a fragile environment,

more controls are needed to ensure delivery. The header and trailer fields are larger as more control information is needed.

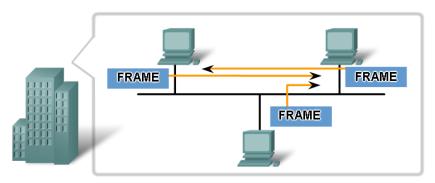




In a protected environment,

we can count on the frame arriving at its destination. Fewer controls are needed, resulting in smaller fields and smaller frames.

Less effort needed to ensure delivery = lower overhead = faster transmission rates



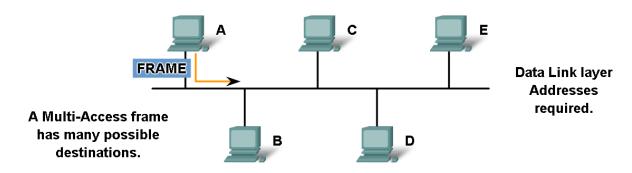
 Describe the role of the frame header in the Data Link layer and identify the fields commonly found in protocols specifying the header structure

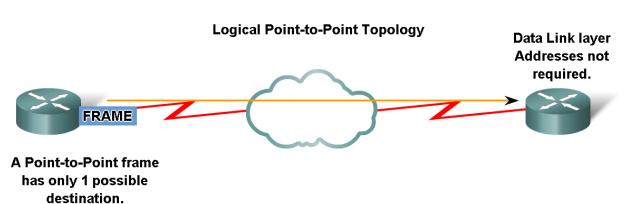
The Role of the Header

Header					
Start Frame	Address	Type/ Length	Data	FCS	STOP FRAME

 Describe the role of addressing in the Data Link layer and identify cases where addresses are needed and cases where addresses are not needed

Logical Multi-Access Topology





 Describe the importance of the trailer in the Data Link layer and its implications for use on Ethernet, a "nonreliable" media

The Role of the Trailer

	START ADDRESS FRAME	TYPE/ LENGTH	Data	Trailer	
				FCS	Stop Frame

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